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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 312

Sir:

This request for entry of an amendment under Rule 312 is made pursuant to the Examiner's Amendment set forth in the Notice of Allowability mailed on August 19, 2005. Kindly amend the specification and add the new replacement drawings as set forth below

The above-identified application has been allowed. The Examiner has required that formal drawings in compliance with informal drawings proposed and filed by the applicant on March 12, 2002 be filed in the application and the Brief Description of the Drawings section be amended to conform to the new drawings.

The application was filed with one sheet of drawing. The Examiner required that legends be added to the drawing element blocks to identify functionality of the blocks of the original drawing. The proposed changes were made in red ink on two sheets of proposed new drawings filed on March 12, 2005. The Examiner has advised that the proposed drawings were acceptable. The applicant requested the draftsman to prepare new formal drawings in conformity with approved proposed drawings. The draftsman when preparing the formal drawings advised it

would require three sheets for the legends to be readable with Figure 1 being divided into Figure 1A and 1B and element 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E being shown on Figure 2.

It is respectfully submitted that the new formal drawings are in full compliance with the Examiner's original requirement set forth in the Office Action of February 12, 2001 and are fully supported by the drawing, specification, and claims of the application as filed and add no new matter to the application. The division of original Figure 1 into Figure 1A and 1B had been made for purposes of clarity so that the legends added to the figure elements can be easily read. Likewise, the enlargement of element 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E as shown Figure 2 has been required to provide sufficient space to make the added legend readable. A marked up copy of the drawings (Annotated Sheets) is enclosed with the changes highlighted.

With regard to the amendment to the specification, the original "Brief Description of the Drawings" section has been replaced. The original section was found in lines 9-11, on page 9 and described one sheet of the drawings. The amended version of the replacement section inserted on page 9, commencing on line 9, is provided in clean form in the amendment. The amended section describes the three sheets of the replacement drawing and is made in compliance with the Examiner's requirement. A separate marked up version showing the changes to the Brief Description of the Drawings section relative to the previous version is attached hereto as required Rule 1.121(b)(2).